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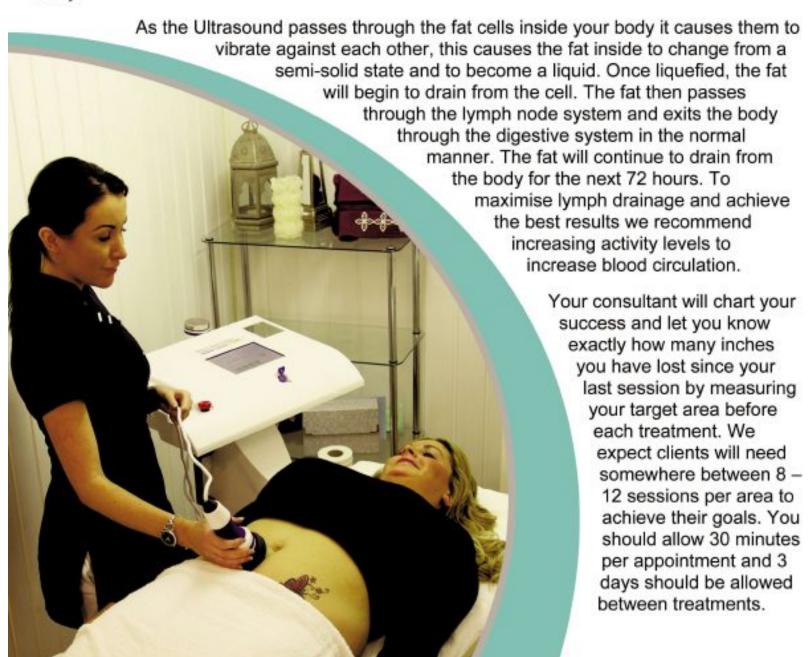
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Bars in crime areas face cutback in drinking hours



ON THE BRINK: This is former England soccer star Paul Gascoigne just minutes before he suffered a tearful breakdown before a charity dinner audience in Northampton on Thursday. Full story on page 3.

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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PUBS and clubs in the town centre are up in arms over 'Early Morning Restriction Orders' which could cost

them money and jobs.

Northampton Borough Council is considering bringing in EMROs across the borough which venues fear could force them to shut.

The new policy would restrict the sale of alcohol between midnight and 6am in areas where it is considered there are alcohol-related crime and disorder issues.

The only premises exempt from EMROs would be hotels which provide alcohol to customers through mini bars and room

Hotels that serve alcohol in a bar, lounge or lobby would be affected by the new orders. EMROs will not apply to any premises on New Year's Eve.

The proposal to introduce the restrictions will be studied by Northampton Borough Council's licensing committee on Monday. Leader of the council, Cllr David

Mackintosh, believes bringing in EMROs would help reclaim Northampton's streets.

He said: "There is a perception people are concerned about the night time economy and what is happening in

"We need to get a grip and reclaim our

"I have been out with the police and have seen the issues in Bridge Street on

Friday and Saturday nights. Before some people go out they are pre-loading and then staying out and drinking even more.

"I understand them wanting to have a good time but I fail to see why people would stay out drinking until 5am/6am." Anna Sawer, manager at NB's in Bridge Street, felt these additional restrictions

would be bad news for her business.
She said: "We (bars and clubs) are always being portrayed as the bad guys.

"I do not agree with this and neither do

my colleagues.
"I understand there are issues in the town but there needs to be discussion,

"If EMROs got put in place then I ought to hand my notice in.

"We don't need any more restrictions and I do not think other businesses will want this as well.

"I have a young family and I come into work by 6pm and do not leave until 3am/4am.

"We are doing all we can to stop the trouble and spend £100,000 a year on security.

A similar view was taken by the manager at Revolution, also in Bridge Street, Seamus Burke, who felt there would be an increase in problems not a reduction as hundreds of people would be in the streets at the same time.

He said: "If we had to close at 2am then it would cost us money and it would cost staff their jobs. We are open until 4am and do not let anyone in after 3am.
"I think this is a bad idea and will

damage the whole of the night time



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Police waiting for ID on body found in River Nene

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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A BODY discovered washed up at the side of the River Nene has yet to be identified.

Emergency services were called to the riverbank near to Northamptonshire County Council's office in The Lakes, Northampton, on Friday afternoon.

A member of the public reported seeing it in the water at around 1.30pm.

The man's body, which was visible for almost three hours, was moved from the scene at around 4pm.

A large area of the riverbank was cordoned off while the fire service, police and coroner were at the scene.

A post-mortem examinawas conducted on Monday at Leicester Royal Infirmary.

Officers are now waiting on further test results to confirm the cause of death, but these are expected to take between four and eight weeks.

A formal ID is expected early next week.

Last month Northamptonshire Police confirmed the



RIVER FIND: Emergency services removing the body from the riverbank last Friday afternoon

Nene had been searched as one route of enquiry for the body of missing man Artur Liana.

Mr Liana, 32, was last seen leaving Borjia nightclub in Castillian Street on December 20.

Detective Inspector Louise Fleckney said at the time: "Mr Liana's disappearance is completely out of character and we are extremely concerned about his welfare. "We have had a team of

officers involved in looking for him since he went miss ing and they have completed a thorough search of the town centre and the route Mr Liana would have used to get home in St Andrews Road.

"Part of those efforts has also included a search of the River Nene as there is a chance that Mr Liana may have fallen into the water."

Police were joined by the Fire and Rescue service last month and searched from near St Andrews Road downstream to the marina in Beckett's Park.

Woman, 27, dies after two car collision in rush hour

A NORTHAMPTON woman has died following a crash in Bedfordshire.

Laura Louise Miller, 27, of died at Northampton, Addenbrooke's Hospital on

Tuesday, January 29.

The collision, involving a VW Polo and Vauxhall Vectra, happened at around 5.30pm on Monday on the old A421 in Marston

Moretaine.

Three other people were taken to hospital, including a baby, following the smash which closed the road for almost four hours.

Ms Miller, who was known as Louise, had been trapped in her car. Her cause of death was listed as 'traumatic brain injury'

A friend, Waverley Clarke, vrote on Facebook: "I wrote on Facebook: would give anything to be spending today with my Loubee as planned. It just doesn't feel the same. I miss you so much beautiful! Thinking of you always

Two ambulance crews, a response car, a duty manager and a senior officer attended the scene.

Dave Fountain, emergency operations general manager for Bedfordshire, who was at the scene, said: "This was a very delicate incident for all our crews to deal

"They worked closely alongside the fire and police service to treat, sta-bilise and immobilise a woman who was trapped in one car and care for a woman, man and a baby in the other car.

A coroner's inquest was opened last Friday and adjourned for a full hearing

Northampton's MPs split over vote to legalise gay marriage

CONSERVATIVE MPs from across the county were split on the vote to legalise gay marriage.

The bill was passed on Tuesday but there was no clear view from Northampton's

MPs on the issue. Michael Ellis, MP for Northampton North, voted in favour of the bill, while South Northamptonshire MP Andrea Leadsom abstained from

voting.
In her blog, Mrs Leadsom explained the reasons behind her decision. She said: 'I wholeheartedly

believe that same-sex couples have as valid a relationship with their partner as do heterosexuals. I also believe that in the eyes of the state we all deserve to be treated equally.

'I have deep sympathy with the hundreds of my constituents who fear that legislation for same-sex marriage will profoundly encroachalthough this may be unintended — on their right to live according to their faith.'

Northampton South MP Brian Binley, who is currently undergoing chemotherapy for cancer, did not vote but indicated that he would have voted against the bill if he had been in Westminster.

Meanwhile Peter Bone. MP for Wellingborough, said Tuesday was 'the saddest day of his Parliamentary life'. He said: "In my personal view I am disappointed by the result but on the other hand more than half of Conservative MPs voted against the bill.

"I am not opposed to civil partnership but I am opposed to gay marriage. As a Christian my faith tells me marriage is between a man and a woman and to me that is the be all and end of the argument.

If it becomes law, the bill will enable same-sex couples, who are currently able to engage in civil partnerships, to get married in both civil and religious ceremonies.

Gay couples will only be allowed to marry in religious ceremonies with the consent of religious institutions

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A CAR windscreen was smashed after a brick was thrown from a bridge over the A45.

The white Vauxhall Insignia was travelling westbound

ome in Northampton on Friday at around 3pm.

The driver was not injured. Witnesses to this incident should call on 101.

'Unsafe' cabs taken off road after failing safety checks

ELEVEN private hire vehicles and one Hackney taxi have been taken off the road immediately or given a delayed prohibition order after the latest round of surprise safety checks

Northampton Borough Council enforcement officers joined the police and Vehicle & Operators Services Agency last Friday to carry out the safety checks.

During the six-hour operation, from 4-10pm, 36 vehicles were stopped and inspected to check that they were roadworthy and met public safety standards

During the spot check, seven cars were immediately taken off the road because they failed to meet safety standards.

faults, dangerous tyres and lighting issues. Another five drivers were issued with

delayed prohibitions giving them four days to rectify the faults.

Altogether 13 drivers were cautioned for breaching the conditions of their taxi licence. Advice and warnings were also given to a number of other drivers.

Taxis licensed to operate in Northampton must pass two scheduled safety tests during the year to make sure they meet the standards set by the council's licensing conditions.

Councillor Christopher Malpas, chairman of Northampton Borough Council's licensing

spot check is disappointing. These vehicles are used to carry members of the public and our number one concern is for their safety.

"There is absolutely no excuse for drivers who fail to keep their vehicles roadworthy and in good condition.

"If all drivers checked their vehicles before starting work then the majority of faults could have been sorted out.

"They have a duty to do this and we have a duty to make sure that they do.

"As well as the six monthly checks we will continue to carry out the spot checks, and we will take action against all drivers who flout the conditions of their licence.'

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BY JAMES AVERILL

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FOOTBALL legend Paul Gascoigne was admitted to rehab in the USA this week just days after suffering a breakdown on stage in Northampton.

Gascoigne, affectionately known by fans as Gazza, was speaking at a Cobblers charity dinner last Thursday

evening.
Onlookers at the Park Inn Hotel were staggered as Gascoigne was helped on stage by aides, before unleashing a torrent of swear words.

He opened by telling his fans that he'd 'had a f***ing hard month', after seeing a friend, also being treated for alcoholism, die while holding his

The 45-year-old was seen shaking uncontrollably throughout his ten minutes on stage, before eventually breaking down in tears and led off.

On Tuesday it emerged that the former England star had been admitted to Cottonwood clinic near Tuscon, Arizona, on Monday night.

Punters had paid more than £50 for the evening, and one of those attending was former Northampton player Andy Holt. the saddest thing I've ever seen. I'm sat watching Paul Gascoigne whose (sic) on stage.

"He's an absolute wreck. So sad! I knew he would be bad and expected him to be drunk but what I saw was a

broken man! It was horrible." A statement issued by Gazza's management company, GamePlan Solutions, said: 'Alcoholic Paul has

been experiencing a tough time of late. 'He has been asking for help and has willingly been admitted to a treatment

centre in America.

'He has complex issues that are currently being dealt with by profes-

'Paul has been extremely over-whelmed by the generous offers of help and support over the past few days.'

Gascoigne's agent Terry Baker, who tried to conduct the disastrous interview on stage, has since come out and

said that his client 'needed help'.

After news of the disturbing charity appearance made front pages in many national newspapers, Gascoigne was reported not to remember anything of his appearance in the town, saying: "What happened in Northampton?"



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Once inside the house, one man kept the victim talking while the other stole two handbags con-

taining cards and cash. They then left the house and drove off in a black Seat Leon towards Wellingborough Road

If you are concerned about people at your door call police on 101 or 999 in an emergency.

BURGLARS STEAL CAR

A CAR was stolen after keys were taken during a break-in.

The house in Thrupp Bridge, Wootton, was broken into via the back door and keys, a black Lenovo laptop and a black Volkswagen Golf R32 were stolen.

The M registration car has 'Cobra' seats and tinted windows.

The theft happened between 1am-7.20am last Thursday.

Anyone with information should call 101. Or Crimestoppers, anonymously on 0800 555 111.



WEE IMPROVEMENT: Park toilets are in line for a spruce up.

Loos to get £95k refurbishment

THE public toilets in Abington Park are set to get a £95,000 makeover.

Starting this month, the toilets near the tennis courts and bowling greens will get new cubicles, urinals, toilets, washbasins and

hand dryers.

The floors and tiling will be replaced and the plumbing and electrics renewed. Exterior work will include repairs to the roof, windows and damaged rendering.

The paths leading to the toilets will also be tidied up and levelled to improve access.

The cost will be paid out of the council's capital budget. Work will start on Monday and be completed around the end of next month.

Courts are caught up in confusion over double 'sale'

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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TWO former magistrates' courts were mistakenly put up for sale by the Government.

The courts in Towcester (right) and Daventry were listed on the government's website as being on the market.

After the Herald & Post spoke to Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service (HMCTS), it was confirmed by a spokes-man that neither were on the market.

Both courts, classified as 'brownfield' land, were closed in early 2011 by the Ministry of Justice.

Wellingborough County Court was also closed as part of the plans, but was not listed on the site.

A report called Proposals on the Provision of Court Services



Midlands stated that the courts were closed in a bid

to save money.
A HMCTS spokesman "I can confirm that neither Towcester nor Daventry Magistrates' Court buildings are currently on the market for sale. I apologise for any confusion."

There are still magisrates' court in N o r t h a m p t o n, W e l l i n g b o r o u g h, Kettering and Corby.





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A SPECIALLY trained dog is being brought from Derbyshire to Northampton to help find a four-year-old pet.

The missing animal is called Springer and is a rescue dog who is a Greyhound crossed with a Saluki. Springer went absent on Friday when his

owner, Diane Simons, was out walking near some woods on the Brackmills industrial Estate.

Diane, 45, from Wakes Meadow, has been left distraught by Springer's disappearance as she cannot understand how this happened. She said: "I feel bereft and

have been endlessly looking for him for the past five days." The hunt today will be led by Wispa, a German pointer crossed with a lurcher, who has in the past helped find other missing dogs.

The tracker dog belongs to Phebe Cooper who is coming from Dronfield in Derbyshire.

Traders' worries as fees increase looms

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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STREET traders could have to pay double for pitching if plans approved by the council.

The proposals have come under fire. One company, ice cream manufacturers È Gallone Ltd. who said the increase was a 'knee jerk reaction'.

John O'Boyle, proprietor of Job's Mobile Catering, sent in a letter of objection to the council saying this could put some people out of business.

The increases are intended to bring fees into line with similar

sized towns and help cover the costs of the licensing service.

Street trading fees have not been reviewed since 2003. If approved, the cost for a street

trader in a standard location, such as an industrial park, will rise to £200 a year for one trading and £1,400 for seven days.

The price of a premium park location, such as Abington Park, will rise to £300 a year for one trading day a week and £2,100 for seven days.

The committee will also be asked to agree a pricing structure for introducing street traders in prime town centre locations. At the moment there are no approved street trading pitches in the town centre, but the proposals could see licensed traders being allowed to sell goods on an ad-hoc basis.

Cllr Christopher Malpas said: "Most of the people who took part in the consultation accepted that our fees were a lot less than other towns and so weren't entirely surprised by what is being proposed.

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Ten factors behind

BY SOPHIF SCOTT

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LARGE numbers of staff leaving and a breakdown in monitoring have been blamed for 999 calls

not being answered.

In an independent report scrutinising performance at Northamptonshire Police, it says there was not 'one single factor'

but a combination of ten.

They included not recognising that staff would quit during change, 'over-estimating' productivity levels of employees and a breakdown in performance of the management chain.

In a bid to make savings a number of redundancies were made and in May a number of staff resigned leaving the Force Control Room (FCR) understaffed.

Police and Commissioner Adam Simmonds requested the report after learning about problems in the control room.

The document highlights that in July and August last year the percentage of calls answered within the requisite ten seconds fell dramatically to a low of 56 per cent.

During this same period the number of 999 calls made to the force hit a peak.

The number of abandoned calls also increased when call handling deteriorated.

Since this time, the FCR has



implemented changes in its services which has seen an increase in efficiency.

Mr Simmonds said: "During my campaign to be elected Northamptonshire's Police and Crime Commissioner, many people told me they had concerns about the answering of 999 calls by the Northamptonshire police control room.

"I looked into this and was

disappointed by what I found. promised that if I was elected I would commission a full scrutiny of what was going

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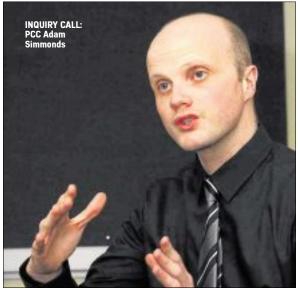
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have been made."
Northamptonshire Chief
Constable Adrian Lee said: "The
Force control room is vitally
important to our effectiveness as
a police force and the level of
service we deliver to people of
the county.

the county.

"During the past year a significant change programme commenced to ensure that the force managed risk significantly better, improved value for money

and reduced costs. During that journey, which was deliberately thorough and challenging, there were periods of poor performance

"The Force control room team, led by Superintendent Mick Stamper, worked very hard to improve our management of risk and performance and the current figures reflect this. We are responding when our public need us and this is our primary

FACTBOX

- The Force Control Room (FCR) is expected to answer 90 per cent of 999 calls within ten seconds
- From September 2012 onwards the FCR is expected to answer non-emergency calls within 30 seconds
- In July call answering performance fell to a low of 56.6 per cent
- In August there were 166 abandoned 999 calls
- The average wait time for a call to be abandoned was 61 seconds. The longest was 2 minutes 35 seconds
- In June there were 7,797 abandoned non-emergency

aim. I welcome the recent scrutiny by the commissioner. The findings are fair and balanced, and it clearly reflects the improvements in risk management and value for money.

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Shooting suspect could be in county

murder by the Metropolitan Police Service's Extradition Unit has links to the county.

Dritan Rexhepi, 32, is wanted by Albania and Belgium in connection with murder and aggravated burglary.

The Albanian national (left). who also goes by the name of Gramos Rexhepaj, is known to have links to and Northamptonshire, London,

Bedfordshire. Rexhepi is wanted in connec-

tion with the fatal shooting of

two men and the non-fatal shooting of another in Albania in 1999.

It is also alleged that in November 2005, Rexhepi and others forced entry into a home in Belgium where the occupants were tied up and threatened at knife-point before a quantity of cash and jewellery was stolen.

Anyone with information on his whereabouts or any of these people is asked to contact

Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. The public are reminded not to approach him.

Uni's 'Stick it' plan to cut down on theft

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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STUDENTS have joined forces with Crimestoppers in a bid to prevent thefts across the

The pilot campaign 'Stick it Stole it' at the University of Northampton comes as thefts at Park Campus rose in the last vear.

In 2009-10, there were 14 reported crimes while in 2011-12 there were 80, including an increase in bike thefts between

March and May which led to the university reducing the price of bike locks

The students have come up with the idea of sticking sticky notes on items left unattended.

The aim is to raise awareness of how quick, and easy, it can be to lose your personal possessions to theft, both on and off campus, to opportunists if you do not exercise caution.

Ben Wesson, vice president of Engagement & Participation, at the University of Northampton Union, said: 'Stick It Stole It' campaign will help to combat this problem and ensure that students at the University of Northampton are appropriately informed of the dangers of leaving their personal possessions unattend-

"It is vitally important that students are alerted to the risks of opportunists who will take advantage of any unsupervised belongings.

campaign officially launches on Monday at Park Campus and will take place throughout the week across both Park and Avenue campuses.

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Cloudy2Clear service the Northampton, Kettering, Wellingborough & Corby areas and Trevor is finding that his

approach is a major factor in his success. 'The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for,

effort is appreciated.' So, if your windows So, if your windows are steamed up, broken or damaged give Trevor a call for a free quotation or **0800 61 21 118** and he'll be happy to help!

which just goes to show how much a little bit of





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Royal visits? Now let's welcome the Queen

THESE are heady times for the town - so much going on development wise which means people really can feel positive about the future.

But what has really cheered me recently is the interest shown in the area by the Royal family.

It was Prince Charles the other week and I was certainly hoping to catch a glimpse of Anne, the Princess Royal, when she was due to visit today.

due to visit today.

The Royal family is held in great esteem all over the Commonwealth and in many parts of the world.

Times are changing but the monarchy, particularly with such a popular new generation now coming to the fore, remains as loved as ever.

Britain has a great tradition and heritage, it is what sets us apart from many European countries whose history seems so shallow.

We should make sure this continues

We should make sure this continues forever - when royals come to town there is that extra excitement among people, and I bet there are many who are delighted we are getting our second VIP visitor in hardly any time at all.

It would be nice though to see the Queen,

It would be nice though to see the Queen, in town. She would be most welcome.

Marion Jones by email



ROYAL WAVE: Prince Charles meets the people and dignitaries on a recent visit to Northampton.

Look further at dog issue

I TOTALLY agree with the letter regarding dog attacks in last week's H&P. My dog has been attacked several times by various loose dogs, and normally all you get is abuse from owners who know their dog is aggressive, and quite frankly don't care.

A friend ended up having to have her

A friend ended up having to have her Yorkshire terrier put to sleep after it was ripped to pieces by a German Shepherd, whose owner merely grabbed hold of its collar and dragged it away without so much as an apology.

it away without so much as an apology.
The law should be changed so that you can be charged if your dog attacks another. The only way of reducing this is to keep dogs on leads in public.

This would not only reduce attacks on other dogs, but also the risk of dogs running out into traffic.

I do not allow my dog to go near people when we are out, not because he is vicious, simply because I believe it is very selfish of a lot of owners to assume that everyone likes dogs, when they don't, and even other owners don't always appreciate being leapt on by over-excited dogs. I think this an issue Mr Simmonds needs to look at in more detail.

W RNWEYS

Law change won't stop attacks

I WRITE in reply to Mrs Boyer's letter in last

week's paper. Yes it is distressing for any owner

to have to face someone's unruly dog attacking

With regards to Guide dogs being no more important than other attacks. The difference is

that their owners are helpless being blind.
Can you imagine if this happened to you. You cannot attempt to protect your dog and if the

You can't get home, you can't get your dog to the vet as you are unable to travel anywhere

without him/her. Not to mention the damage

I think Staffordshire bull terriers can be OK

They can be unpredictable. I have met sever-

done mentally to the guide dog as they are

in the right hands but still need to be under

al who compete at agility very well but when

dog is seriously injured, what can you do?

Nicholls Court, Northampton

their dog for no reason.

trained to ignore other dogs.

control at all times.

Opposition to parish councils

IN the Herald & Post on February 24 mention was made that Northampton Borough Council will go ahead in creating new Parish Councils in the borough.

they are overexcited, I have also seen how they

can turn aggressive.

There are many that don't give any cause for

ments about dogs should be kept on leads in public places, not on main road, but in park, or

concern, likewise any breed of dog. Re com-

common land away from any road - what a

If one owns a large dog they need a great

amount of exercise, in particular off lead, they

would become frustrated and could result in

As for using a training lead, you obviously

haven't practised with one and like extended leads, no way would you have any more

control if your dog got spooked or decided to

strength if a dog was out of control. Any law in

the future that is changed will not stop any attacks, as the people who let their so-called

precious pets get out of control think they are

The dog's strength out-weighs human

a future problem if kept on leads.

ridiculous rule.

attack something.

above the law.

Towcester

Allegedly this is because a few people have made requests for this and will go ahead without reference to the electorate. Perhaps we should know the names of these people.

Parish Councils in an urban area are an anomaly and the ones that do exist in Northampton are the ones that were taken into the borough boundary at an earlier date, for example Duston in the early 1960s.

Parish Councils in rural areas are a necessity

Parish Councils in rural areas are a necessity because each village and community have their own concerns and are too widespread to be covered entirely by a District Councillor.

In urban areas Parish Councils are an unnecessary layer of bureaucracy and should be abolished in my opinion.

If Parish Councils are to be imposed upon us by Northampton Borough Council then I for one will not be paying the precept.

Briar Hill, Northampton

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■ My daughter & I have won tickets and are really looking forward to it! Our 1st opera & we are very excited :-)
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BY SOPHIE SCOTT

PRINCESS Anne is to visit the town today - two weeks after her brother was here.

Her Royal Highness will first unveil a memorial plaque to commemorate the county's firefighters at Brixworth County

Children from Brixworth Primary School and Walgrave Primary School will also attend the ceremony and a pupil from each one will present the Princess Royal with a posy.

The memorial will be dedicated by The Right Reverend John Holbrook, Bishop of Brixworth, and will be formally unveiled by the Princess Royal who is also a patron of the Firefighters Memorial Trust.

She will then take a tour of Northamptonshire Police's Criminal Justice Centre (CJC) in Pavilion Drive, Northampton, which was opened last August.

Superintendent Sean Bell will lead the Princess Royal on a tour of the centre, including the custody suite, charge room and intoximeter room.

She will also meet partners and contractors involved with the eight-year building project.

The visit will close with the





unveiling of a plaque to commemorate the princess's

Her arrival comes just two weeks after her older brother and heir to the throne, Prince Charles, visited Crockett & Jones shoemakers in Perry Street,

Northampton.
Councillor Andre Gonzalez de Savage said: "It is a great honour to have a member of the Royal Family unveil this important memorial which recognises all the firefighters who unreservedly risk their lives for our safety every day. The rural surroundings of Brixworth Country Park are a very appropriate home for this memorial, giving all people affected by fire a quiet and naturally impressive place to reflect and remember."

Police and Crime Commissioner Adam Simmonds said: "It is a great honour that Princess Anne is to visit the CJC and we look forward to welcoming Her Royal Highness to this innovative new



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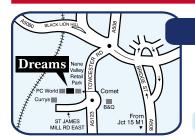






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THE chairman of Royal & Dern gate's board is set to leave.

Paul Southworth will be standing down later this year and the theatre is now looking for his successor. Royal &

Derngate has gained an ever higher profile both regionally and nationally over recent years. winning the accolade of Regional Theatre of the Year 2010 in The Stage 100 Awards. Later this year

the Trust will complete the construction of a new 90-seat cinema adjacent to Royal & Derngate, further enhancing Northampton's Cultural Quarter.

It was announced last year that the theatre's artistic director Laurie Sansom was to leave to start work for the **National Theatre** of Scotland. The role of

chairman of trustees is a voluntary



BREAKING THE LINK: Paul Southworth

Council left to bury the dead

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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IN the past three years Northampton Borough Council (NBC) has carried out more than 80 **public health funerals.** These are needed when a

person dies in the borough and has no money or family who can come forward to pay for it.

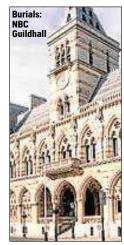
It would be a basic service to minimise the cost to the local taxpayer.

If arrangements have already been made, such as instruction to a funeral director, NBC will not be responsible for any costs incurred.
In 2010/11 there were 19

public health funerals in Northampton borough, 37 in 2011/12 and 25 so far this financial year 2012/2013.

Northampton Borough Council does carry out burials as part of public health funerals.

It also erects a headstone



containing the deceased's name, date of birth and date of death. The cost of what was once known as a 'pauper funeral' sets NBC back between £1,200 to

Councillor John Caswell,

Northampton Borough Council's cabinet member for environment, said: "Unfortunately every year a handful of people will die without any family or friends who can take care of their final arrange-

"In these circumstances the local authority has a statutory duty to arrange for a simple funeral service.

"In the majority of cases

we will recover some or all of the costs from the estate of the deceased."

The rules and regula-tions state under the Public Health (Control of Diseases) Act 1984 where no suitable funeral arrangements have been made, or are being made, for a deceased person public bodies, such as Northampton Borough Council and Northampton General Hospital, have a duty to arrange the funeral. They would be

to share their needs

A STUDY has been launched to bring together the ideas of all of the faith groups who form an active part of community life.

Northampton Borough Council, working in partnership with the Northampton Inter-Faith forum, have begun the study to explore faith community needs.

The findings of the study will help the council and other service providers understand how different faiths are represented across the town, the issues that face them and what their needs are for facilities to meet and worship both for now and in the future.

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Faith groups asked | High speed internet moves a step closer

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The authority is aiming for 90 per cent of premises in the county to have superfast (24Mbps and above) broadband speeds by the end of 2015, with the intention of all premises being able to access at least 2Mbps.

These superfast speeds will be made possible by the deployment of Next Generation Access infrastructure.

The decision is subject to the approval and a report outlining the proposal will be heard at a council meeting on Wednesday.

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Fighting addictions in

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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A NEW drug and alcohol service has been launched across the county.

Health and social care charity CRI has been commissioned by Northamptonshire County Council and will work in partnership with two voluntary organisations.

They are The Bridge, which provides drug recovery services, and Aquarius, which specialises in alcohol treatment after care support.

Among the more traditional services, staff will be equipped with new technology to aid their work.

There is a potential that video communication programme Skype could be used in the future to speak with users.

With premises in Northampton, Wellingborough, Kettering, Daventry and Corby, the Integrated Recovery Service is hoping to reach about 1,500 people in the county.

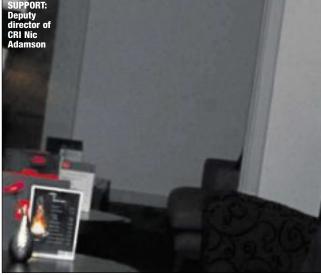
When it launched on Friday, 1,400 people were automatically transferred to the service through their GPs.

through their GPs.
CRI won the tender for the service last November and has been working since then to get up and running.

up and running.

The scheme does not just deal with 'traditional' drugs, like heroin, but is being used

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by people who take 'legal highs' more frequently now.

Deputy director Nic Adamson said: "There is a whole range of drug use in Northamptonshire and we have a whole range of services to deal with them.

"We know that use of heroin is declining but these new 'legal highs' are increasing and the risks of them are not fully understood.

"At a national level we are at

the forefront of the agenda on this and it is something that we will be able to help within Northamptonshire."

The aim is also to work with communities, and some of the smaller towns like Rushden and Brackley, to find out exactly what can be done in specific areas.

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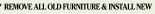


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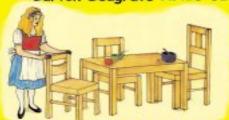
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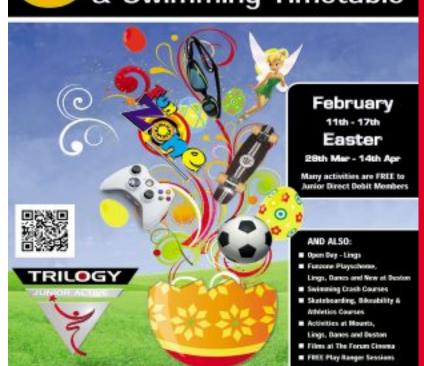
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- Detached Family House
- Three Bedrooms
- Cul-De-Sac Location • Double Garage
- Bathroom & Shower Room
- Double Glazing (where specified)





Northampton £180,000

- Three Bedroom Family House
- Cul-de-Sac Location • Kitchen/Dining Room
- Utility, Bathroom • Front Garden
- Off Road Parking





Northampton £160,000

- Two Bedroom Bungalow
- Corner Plot Location
- Lounge/Dining Room • Re-fitted Kitchen
- Detached Garage Off Road Parking





Kingsthorpe Village £122,500

- End Terraced House
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge Diner, Fitted Kitchen
- No Upper Chain



Northampton £110,000

- Two Bedroom Maisonette
- Off Street Parking
- Single Garage Rear Garden



Northampton £85,000

- Two Double Bedrooms
- 85% Shared Equity
- Kitchen/Dining Room • No Upper Chain



Northampton £70,000

- Modern First Floor Apartment
- Fitted Kitchen
- Fitted Bathroom
- No Upper Chain















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Upton £310,000

- Five Bedroom Eco Home
- Solar Collection
- Rainwater Harvesting System
- Utility Room
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens





Reg Partridge Close £265,000

- Detached House
- Four Bedrooms
- Lounge/Dining Area
- Kitchen
- En-Suite
- Front & Rear Gardens





St Columba's £210,000

- Two Bedrooms
- LoungeKitchen/diner
- Bathroom
- En-Suite Garden





St. Crispins £189,000

- Penthouse ApartmentStunning Views
- Three Bedrooms • En-Suite to Master
- Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen/Diner
- Allocated Parking Space





Northampton £167,000

- Three Bedroom Detached House
- En-Suite to Master
- Two Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens



Meadow Close £150,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
- Lounge/Dining Room Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens



Northampton OIEO £145,000

- Three Bedroom Bungalow
- Lounge & Kitchen & Dining Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- No Chain



Eldean Road £140,000

- Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow Sauna
- Garage
- Conservatory & Attic Room



Meadow Close £132,500

- Chalet Style Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Double Glazed • Open Plan Lounge
- Off Road Parking Front & Rear Gardens





Tenby Road £130,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Master En-Suite
- Refitted Kitchen Off Road Parking



Knot Tiers Drive £116,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Open Plan Living Room
- Allocated Parking
- No Chain











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Brafield on the Green

- Semi Detached Family House
- Five Bedrooms
- Four Reception Rooms
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Off Road Parking
- Master with En-Suite





Overstone OIEO £360,000

- Rarely Available Property
- Generous Size Plot
- Four Bedrooms
- Detached Bungalow
- In/out DrivewayPlot Approx 1/3 Acre





Denton £175,000

- Three Bedroom Property
- Village Location
- Accommodation over Three Floors
- Two Reception Rooms
- Lounge, Kitchen & Dining Room
- Double Glazing





Northampton £157,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Terraced Property
- Situtated in Heart of Northampton Town
- Separate Lounge & Dining Room.



Billing Road £135,000

- Two Bedroom Modern Apartment
- En-Suite to Master
- Integrated Appliances Allocated Parking



Northampton £110,000

- Mid Terrace Property
- Three Bedrooms Lounge/Diner
- Re-fitted Kitchen



The Lorrells £108,000

- Holiday Home
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Front & Rear Gardens



Northampton £98,000

- Mid Terrace Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Family Bathroom



Northampton £94,500

- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge, KitchenAllocated Parking No Upper Chain



Northampton £87,500

- Mid Terrace Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Kitchen/Dining Room
- Bathroom & Separate WC



Swinford Hollow £77,995

- First Floor Maisonette
- Lounge, Bathroom
- Re-fitted Kitchen • One Bedroom



Northampton £75,000

- One Bedroom Apartment
- Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen
- Access to Town Centre
- Allocated Parking Space



Pomfret Court £32,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double Glazing

















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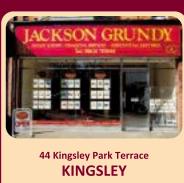




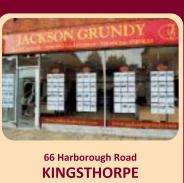
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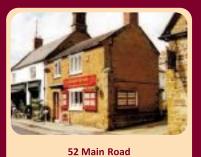


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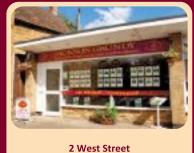




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A delightful four bedroom detached stone built property set on a small development of similar types of properties in a quiet backwater within Denton. This family home is extremely well presented with character features to include reclaimed brick fireplace with wood burning stove in the lounge, lever latch internal doors and two ring Aga in the kitchen. The full accommodation comprises entrance hall, WC/utility room, lounge/dining room with steps down to a family room, study, conservatory overlooking the rear garden and a fitted kitchen with integrated dishwasher. To the first floor the master bedroom benefits from an ensuite and dressing room, three further bedrooms and a family bathroom with a roll top bath. Outside, the property is accessed via electric gates where beyond is a driveway leading to a double garage and a rear garden which is enclosed. The property is offered with no onward chain.

DENTON £375,000



An extended and greatly improved 1930's detached family home which offers views to both front and rear aspects. The Keller fitted kitchen has integrated appliances, granite work surfaces and opens to the dining and family areas overlooking the large rear garden. There is a separate sitting room with open fire, laundry room, refitted WC, master bedroom with wonderful views and a refitted contemporary ensuite, three further bedrooms and a refitted four piece bathroom. Outside is a driveway with space for several vehicles, garage and rear garden in excess of 180ft in length with pedestrian access to the fields behind.



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A well presented detached house offering versatile accommodation, set on approx. 1/3 acre. This individual house has been extended & improved and has beautiful landscaped gardens to three sides. Porch, hall, lounge, study, shaker style kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, garden room, utility room, bathroom, potential annex (comprising bedroom/family room, en-suite and conservatory), landing with balcony, four bedrooms, three en-suites, family bathroom, double garage, off road parking and substantial gardens.

MOULTON £500,000



A charming stone and slate cottage situated in this small hamlet village. Features include exposed wood and flagstone floors, ceiling beams, latch lever doors, window seats, multi fuel burners and a beautiful handmade kitchen with Rayburn oven set into an inglenook. Entrance porch, hall, cosy sitting room, snug, study, dining room, kitchen, cloakroom, bedroom one with en-suite, bedroom two with dressing room/bedroom four, bedroom three, bathroom and WC. Outside the well presented west facing and private rear garden offers views across open countryside. No onward chain.





Sitting in an elevated position is this fully refurbished stone built Grade II listed cottage, offering many character features including an imposing stone inglenook style fireplace, and enjoying far reaching views to the front and rear from the first floor. Comprising living room, rear lobby, refitted Shaker style kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom with refitted four piece suite, gardens to both front and rear, plus an off road parking space at the rear.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



This three bedroom bay fronted end terrace house has accommodation arranged in an unusual layout, with the majority of rooms enjoying dual aspect windows. Comprising entrance hall, cellar, clackroom, lounge, kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms and bathroom. The property benefits from UPVC double glazed windows, gas radiator heating, fitted cloakroom and bathroom suites, a moderr fitted kitchen and an enclosed rear garden with brick built shed.

Abington T: 01604 231111



A four bedroom detached property with a conservatory, nicely positioned in a quiet cul-de-sac. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, hall, cloakroom, lounge/dining room, conservatory, kitchen, four bedrooms and bathroom. All windows (excluding the cloakroom) and doors are double glazed and there is gas radiator heating. Outside there are front and rear gardens, a driveway providing off road parking and a single garage with electric roller door.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



£158,995

A nicely presented three bedroom semi detached house situated in the popular village of Brixworth. Improvements which have been made to the property include gas radiator central heating Developmentate to the properly influence gas radiator central nearing LPVC double glazing, refitted kitchen, refitted bathroom and replacement floor coverings. Comprising entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens and a driveway providing off road parking.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



A uniquely extended family sized home situated on the edge of the village with wonderful views to both front and rear. Inside, there is a lovely lounge, large dining room, kitchen and adjoining breakfast/family room. Upstairs, the vast main bedroom is 21'5 long with a high vaulted ceiling, full height glass gable end, French doors and Juliet balcony, large en-suite shower room and dressing room. There are also two further bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside, the gated block paved driveway has space for two cars comfortably, and the attractive rear garden backs onto a paddock. The views feature from practically everywhere in the house and garden and need to be seen to be fully appreciated.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



£227,500

A rarely available, significantly extended two bedroom detached bungalow which is in need of updating. The spacious, versatile accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, dining room, bathroom, two bedrooms, front and rear lobbys and cloakroom. Outside are gardens to front and rear, a long driveway and a large garage. Benefits include gas radiator central heating, double glazing, cul-de-sac location and no onward chain.

Roade T: 01604 862442



A modern two bedroom semi-detached property with a garage situated on the Royal Park development. The property would make ar excellent first time buy or investment purchase and benefits include gas radiator central heating, double glazing, a fitted kitchen, intruder alarm system, front and rear gardens, a driveway providing off road parking for 1-2 cars and a single garage. Comprising entrance hall, kitchen, living/dining room, two bedrooms and a bathroom

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



A Victorian style terrace house offered for sale with no chain Features include gas radiator central heating with Vaillant combi boiler, replacement double glazing (where specified), four piece family bathroom suite, large garage accessed via rear service road, good size rear garden with patio, double cellar and some period style features. Comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, conservatory, cellar, two bedrooms and bathroom

Duston T: 01604 755757



situated for a range of local amenities, on a quiet road in the Kingsley area. The accommodation comprises hall, open plan lounge/diner, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside are gardens to the front and rear, a courtyard and single garage in a block. Offered for sale at a competitive asking price this is an ideal opportunity for a first time buyer or investor. Viewing advised.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



An individual three bedroom detached house situated in a cul-de sac within this highly desirable village, which has excellent schooling and other amenities. The property has a good size frontage, block paved three car driveway, single garage, workshop/utility and an attractive 60ft rear garden. Inside are two reception rooms, cloakroom, kitchen, three double bedrooms and a shower room. The property has UPVC double glazing and electric heating.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



DUSTON

An immaculately presented, much improved extended four bedroom detached home. Entrance hall, lounge, family room, relitted kitchen/dining room, cloakroom, four bedrooms, refitted ensuite wet room and refitted family bathroom. Additional features include gas radiator central heating and

replacement double glazed windows and doors, enclosed rea garden and single size garage with ample off road parking. Duston T: 01604 755757



A charming three bedroom end of terrace family home situated in the sought after area of Phippsville, close to a range of amenities. The accommodation is in good decorative order throughout, comprising entrance porch, hall, three compartment cellar, fiving room, separate dining room, extended kitchen/breakfast room, rear lobby, Wc, three bedrooms, bathroom, enclosed front garden, sizeble rear garden to the rear and a detached double garage.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



A very well presented modern four bedroom detached property. Benefits include a contemporary design with open plan dining room, a modern fitted kitchen/breakfast room, ensuite shower room, double glazing where specified, gas radiator heating, front and rear gardens, driveway and garage. Entrance hall, dining room, cloakroom, living room, kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with ensuite shower room, three further bedrooms and bathroom.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



A very impressive, extended four bedroom detached family home with generous living accommodation. Entrance hall, WC, well appointed kitchen, a very impressive family/dining room, lounge, study, conservatory and utility room. On the first floor the master bedroom has an ensuite shower room, there are three further bedrooms and the family bathroom. Outside there is a block paved driveway, detached double garage and a rear garden.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



An imposing Georgian property offering a host of original features, charm and character. The residence offers spacious & versatile accommodation over three floors, plus cellarage. Reception hall, cellar, drawing room, dining room, inner lobby, breakfast room, kitchen, boot room, WC, rear porch, first floor sitting room, laundry room, five bedrooms, bathroom, wash room, en-suite, driveway with block paved parking areas, oversized garage and southwest facing courtyard garden.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



A thoughtfully extended and greatly improved four bedroom detached property situated at the end of a no-through road in this popular village. The property offers spacious and versatile accommodation over two floors, with en-suite bedroom facilities on both floors. Comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility room, cloakroom, three ground floor bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, first floor bedroom with dressing area & en-suite shower room, parking for several vehicles, detached double garage and enclosed south-west facing gardens. No onward chain.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



A two bedroom Victorian terrace property with easy access to the town centre and the amenities it has to offer. The accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, 227 x 11" through lounge/dining room, kitchen, utility room, two bedrooms and a bathroom with four piece white suite. Additional benefits include gas radiator heating, double glazing and an enclosed rear garden.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



An extremely well looked after modern four bedroom detached house comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge with arch to the dining room, fitted kitchen/breakfast room with built in appliances, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. Further features include UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating, stylish refitted four piece bathroom suite, and Caroline Chisolm School catchment area.

Roade T: 01604 862442



This three bedroom bay fronted Victorian terrace house is presented in good order throughout, also benefiting from UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and

is presented in good order throughout, also benefiting from UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and period features. Comprising through hall, cellar, lounge and dining room with double doors between, fitted kitchen/breakfast room, three bedrooms, bathroom with white suite and enclosed dardens to the front and rear.

Abington T: 01604 231111



An impressive four bedroom detached family home with garage, situated in a no-through road amongst homes of a similar calibre. Benefits include gas radiator heating with recently replaced boiler, UPVC double glazing, relitted kitchen & bathrooms and a conservatory addition. Entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen, dining room, utility room, conservatory, four bedrooms, en-suite shower room, bathroom, front and rear gardens, block paved drive & single garage.

Moulton T: 01604 494600





£109,995

This three bedroom terrace house has been much improved by the current owners and has a large conservatory addition to the rear. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, hall, cloakroom, lounge kitchen/breakfast room with built in appliances, conservatory, three bedrooms and bathroom with three piece white suite. There is double glazing and gas fired warm air heating. Outside there are front and rear gardens and a driveway providing off road parking.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



£154,995

A well presented three bedroom semi detached property set on a corner plot, offering good scope for development (subject to the necessary planning permissions). The property also benefits from double glazing where specified, gas radiator heating, a single garage and good size gardens to the front and rear. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, bathroom and three bedrooms.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



£179,995

This extended four bedroom semi detached house with a large ground floor bedroom and adjoining wet room that can be reached via the main house or separate access in the rear hall, suitable for playroom, workroom or treatment room. The property benefits from UPVC double glazing, radiator heating, new kitchen, bathroom and cloakroom, new internal doors and decoration, plus a raised decking area

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



IETHER HEYFORD

£229,999

An extended three/four bedroom semi detached house Comprising entrance hall, L-shaped living room, kitchen separate dining room, rear hall, utility/cloakroom, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, two first floor bedrooms with Jack & Jill en-suite shower room, separate first floor office/bedroom, gated driveway, single garage, side lawned garden and enclosed rear patio garden.

Duston T: 01604 755757



A Grade II listed ex-Althorp Estate cottage situated amoungst other lovely stone properties in this highly regarded village. It has high ceilings, pine doors and window shutters, modern kitchen with appliances, modern bathroom, central heating and a useful outbuilding. There is parking for three cars plus garden and courtyard. The property is offered with no upward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093





GREAT HOUGHTON

£187,500

A beautifully presented, rarely available two bedroom semi detached house backing onto open countryside. Comprising entrance porch, hall, cloakroom, L shaped lounge, refitted kitchen/dining room with integrated appliances, two double bedrooms, refitted bathroom, front and rear gardens, driveway and single garage. All windows and doors are double glazed and there is gas radiator heating. The property sits nicely at the end of a cul-de-sac in this sought after village.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



bedrooms, pleasantly situated in a cul-de-sac. Entrance porch, lounge, inner hall, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, bathroom, three bedrooms, front and rear gardens, of road parking and a single garage. Benefits include replacemen doors, windows, soffits & fascias, gas radiator heating with vaillant combi boiler and a refitted four piece bathroom suite.

A very well cared for semi detached house with three double Roade T: 01604 862442



An extended, extremely well presented three bedroom mid terrace home with the added benefit of pedestrian side access. Character features include floorboards, fireplaces and picture rails. Entrance hall, lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen, utility WC, cellar, three bedrooms and bathroom. Outside there are front and rear gardens. Further benefits include gas radiator central heating and UPVC double glazing where specified. Abington T: 01604 231111

100 日 100 This three bedroom end of terrace house is situated in the popular Kingsley area and offered to the market with no onward chain. The property benefits from a refitted kitchen with integrated Neff

appliances, gas radiator heating and majority UPVC double glazing. Comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, bathroom and three good size bedrooms. Outside is an enclosed frontage and a generous enclosed rear garden with patio and lawn. Kingsley T: 01604 715000



An attractive five bedroom executive detached house built by David Wilson Homes, situated on an end plot in a small cul-de-sac. Benefits include gas radiator heating and double glazed windows. Entrance hall, cloakroom, study, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, pantry, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, four further bedrooms, bathroom, generous frontage with off road parking, double garage and an enclosed rear garde

Moulton T: 01604 494600

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An extended 1930's double bay fronted four bedroom detached house comprising hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, sun room, inner hallway, WC, study, side passage, four bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside there is an 'ln and Out driveway with two garages and off road parking and a good size rear garden. Benefits include gas radiator central heating, replacement doors and windows and no onward chain.

Roade T: 01604 862442



A well presented, spacious three bedroom double bay fronted house with character features to include stripped wooden door floorboards, skirtings and architrave and a cast iron open fireplace in the lounge. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining area, refitted kitchen, utility area, three first floor bedrooms and a refitted bathroom. Externally there is a front courtyard and an attractive low maintenance rear garden with an outbuilding.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



A substantial, individual detached family home on a sought after road in the popular Phippsville area. The mature property boasts spacious rooms and period features including leaded light windows, fireplaces, panelled doors and floorboards. Entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, study, cloakroom, extended fitted kitchen/breakfast room, three bedrooms, bathroom, gardens to front and rear, an outhouse used as a utility and an oversized garage/workshop.

Abington T: 01604 231111



A well presented detached bungalow situated on a pleasant cul-desac. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two double bedrooms, conservatory and a large bathroom (formerly bathroom and bedroom three). Further benefits include UPVC double glazing (where specified), gas fired radiator heating, loft and cavity wall insulation. There is an enclosed garden to the rear of the property and a lawned frontage and tarmac driveway to the front.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



This carefully modernised, extended two bedroom semi detached bungalow has a good size enclosed rear garden, overhauled heating system with Vaillant combination boiler, replacement UPVC double glazingn and recent re-wire with new consumer unit. Comprising entrance hall, lounge, refitted kitchen/dining room, two bedrooms, refitted bathroom, large shingle driveway, single garage and rear garden with two decked patios, outside lighting and replacement fencing.

Duston T: 01604 755757



£199,000

An extended four bedroom end terrace house situated in the highly regarded village of Pitsford. Improvements to the property include gas radiator heating, UPVC double glazing, refitted kitchen with integrated appliances and refitted bath/shower rooms. Entrance porch, hall, living room, open plan kitchen/breakfast/utility room, family room, cloakroom, four bedrooms, en-suite shower room and bathroom. Outside there is an enclosed rear garden, front garden with off road parking and a garage.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



A three bedroom semi detached property with accommodation comprising entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and bathroom. The property is set in a cul-de-sac and benefits from gardens to the front and rear, driveway leading to a single garage, double glazing where specified and gas radiator central heating.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



A smartly presented two bedroom apartment with two bathrooms and secure allocated off road parking. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, 21'3 lounge/dining room/kitchen area, bedroom one with ensuite, bedroom two and main bathroom. The kitchen has built in appliances to include oven, hob and extractor, dishwasher and washing machine. Further benefits from electric heating and double glazing

Northampton T: 01604 633122



An extended and much improved three bedroom semi detached house with garage and gardens. This smart, well presented property has had a ground floor extension with a room that could be used as a study, utility room, play room or bedroom, with an adjacent shower room and its own entrance. There is a refitted kitchen and bathroom, radiator heating and UPVC double glazing. The property is offered for sale with no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



A deceptively spacious, extended 1950's three bedroom house set at the end of a cul-de-sac. Benefits include replacement double glazing where specified, gas radiator heating with replacement boiler, refitted kitchen/dining room, refitted bathroom, wooden internal doors, feature fireplaces, enclosed garden with raised deck, off road parking and no chain. Comprising entrance hall, sitting room, living room, kitchen/dining room, shower room, three bedrooms and bathroom.

Duston T: 01604 755757



MEARS ASHBY

£349,995

Offering character, charm and modern convenience and situated in this highly desirable village is this stone and rendered cottage. Entrance porch, recently refitted kitchen/dining room, lounge with wood burner, conservatory, utility/boot room, cloakroom/WC, master bedroom with two further bedrooms and a refitted four piece bathroom suite. Externally the frontage offers of froad parking and the rear garden is a generous size with a detached barn.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



WAKES MEADOW

We are pleased to offer this thoughtfully extended property. Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, large kitchen/breakfast room, utility room and a refitted WC. Upstairs are four bedrooms, three of which are doubles with built in wardrobes, the master having a good sized refitted ensuite and family bathroom.

£205,000

Benefits include gas radiator heating, UPVC double glazing, front and rear gardens, a block paved driveway and an integral store.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



TON £132,500

A two bedroom semi detached bungalow offered for sale with no onward chain and benefits from gas radiator heating with replaced combi boiler, replacement double glazing, UPVC soffits, fascias and guttering, off road parking, single garage and an enclosed rear garden with large patio. The property is presented in good decorative order and comprises entrance porch, hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and shower room.

Duston T: 01604 755757



KINGSTHORPE

£142,500

A greatly improved two bedroom semi detached bungalow which benefits from gardens to the front and rear, plus a driveway leading to the single garage. The property has been refurbished to a high standard to include solid oak internal doors, solid oak flooring in the living room and hall, slate tilled floor in the kitchen and shower room, refitted kitchen and shower room and redecoration. Comprising entrance hall, living room, kitchen, two bedrooms and shower room.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



A three bedroom bay fronted Victorian end terrace house presented in lovely condition throughout and situated a stones throw from Abington Park. Comprising through entrance hall, cellar, triple aspect lounge/dining room, modern refitted kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, rear lobby, cloakroom, three double bedrooms, refitted bathroom, enclosed rear garden and a single garage. Benefits include period features, double glazing and gas radiator heating.

Abington T: 01604 231111



An imposing traditional red brick townhouse offering ample and characterful four bedroomed accommodation arranged over three storeys. Entrance hall, two sizeable formal reception rooms, a conservatory, an open plan kitchen/dining room and a WC. Upstairs are two large double bedrooms, with an ensuite bathroom to the main bedroom in addition to the family bathroom. On the second floor are two further sizeable bedrooms. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear and a brick built garage. Viewing is strongly advised.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



ELAPRE £14

A three bedroom semi detached dormer bungalow with off road parking and a conservatory. The ground floor comprises entrance hall, kitchen, lounge, conservatory, cloakroom and two bedrooms. The master bedroom and family bathroom are located on the first floor. All windows and doors are double glazed and there is gas radiator heating. Outside, there is off road parking to the front of the property and a good size darden to the rear.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



A two bedroom terrace property which benefits from recent improvements to include gas radiator central heating with combination boiler and double glazed windows and doors. Further features include off road parking for two cars and a good sized enclosed rear garden. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, landing, two bedrooms and a bathroom.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



LONG BUCKBY

£175,000

A large two bedroom semi detached bungalow that has been renovated to a high standard by a local property developer and is now ready for occupation. The bungalow has a 197 lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen with appliances, two large double bedrooms, a refitted bathroom, two car driveway and a rear garden with lawn and decking areas. Also, there is UPVC double glazing, radiator heating and the property has no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



A two bedroom detached bungalow set along a private lane.Entrance hall, lounge/dning room, kitchen, utility room, two double bedrooms, study/dressing room, bathroom, two gravel off road parking areas, front and rear gardens. We are advised that there is a large loft space offering development potential, subject to planning consents. No onward chain.

Abington T: 01604 231111



A mature three bedroom end terrace house set on a good size plot The property comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/breakfas room, bathroom, three bedrooms and gardens to the front, side and rear. Benefits include UPVC double glazed doors and windows, UPVC soffits and fascias, gas radiator heating with replacement boiler and a recently refitted four piece bathroom suite. The property is situated within the catchment area of Caroline Chisholm school.

Roade T: 01604 862442



A well presented three bedroom property which has been mproved in recent years. Comprising entrance hall improved in recent years. lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen/breakfast room, two lounge/dining room, relitted kitcheft/preaktast room, two double bedrooms, one single bedroom and refitted bathroom. The property benefits from replacement gas radiator central heating, UPVC double glazing, gardens to the front, side and rear and a garage situated in a nearby block. Northampton T: 01604 633122



A spacious four bedrooms detached chalet style home offered with gas radiator heating, majority double glazing, two bath/shower rooms and a detached garage Comprising entrance hall, lounge, fitted kitchen with arch to dining area, lean-to, inner hall, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, three first floor bedrooms and shower room.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



VESTON FAVELL VILLAGE

A rarely available four bedroom detached family home with three reception rooms and a conservatory. Benefits include a refitted kitchen, bathroom and en-suite, gas radiator heating and a quiet cul-de-sac location. Comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, study, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfasl room, four bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom gardens to front and rear, off road parking and double garage

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A modern, two bedroom detached bungalow offered for sale in good condition throughout. The property has UPVC double glazing and radiator heating, fitted kitchen, wet room, two double bedrooms and a lounge/dining room. Outside, there are front and rear gardens and a driveway providing parking for two/three cars. There is no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



An extended three bedroom semi detached dormer property positioned on a good size plot with rear views to nearby countryside. The property would benefit from some updating in areas and is offered with no chain. Benefits include double glazing where specified, gas radiator heating, front and rear gardens, driveway and single garage. Comprising entrance hall, inner lobby, living room, kitchen, dining room, bathroom, two bedrooms and a first floor bedroom.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



A stone terrace cottage boasting cellar and loft conversions conservatory addition, refitted kitchen, period style bathroom suite with claw foot bath, majority double glazed sash windows and gas radiator heating. Comprising hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen conservatory, cellar study, two first floor bedrooms, bathroom second floor loft bedroom, well stocked, established gardens to the front and rear, the rear garden being of a generous length.

Duston T: 01604 755757



An individual detached bungalow. Entered via a porch to the side, the properties principal feature of note is an impressive, split level open plan living area with vaulted ceiling. In addition there are three (formerly four) sizeable double bedrooms, a fitted kitchen, refitted bathroom, separate WC and lean to utility area. Outside is a generous gravelled frontage, whilst to the rear is an enclosed lawned garden and a garage block with single and double garages Kingsley T: 01604 715000

A one bedroom ground floor flat situated close to the town

centre, with excellent access to a range of amenities including the train station. The property has double glazing, electric heating, intercom entry and off road parking Comprising entrance hall, living room with lounge/dining area open plan to a fitted kitchen area, one double bedroom and a bathroom. No onward chain. Whole building shown

Northampton T: 01604 633122



A one bedroom ground floor flat with its own rear garden. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge with patio doors giving direct access to the garden, refitted kitchen, bedroom with built in wardrobes and a shower room. All windows are double glazed and there is one allocated off road parking space. The flat is offered for sale with no onward chain

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A detached property located in the very popular area of Abington Vale. The ground floor accommodation comprises of entrance hall, cloakroom/WC, lounge and a kitchen/dining room. The first floor comprises of master bedroom with en-suite shower room, two further bedrooms and a shower room. Externally there are gardens to the front and rear, off street parking and a garage. The property benefits from double glazing and radiator heating. EPC:TBC



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Saxon Street

£139,995

This three bedroom semi detached property is in the popular area of Abington.
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Lumbertubs Lane

£249.500

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Kettering Road North

£179,995

A detached bungalow situated in this popular cul-de-sac within Spinney Hill. The property has accommodation that comprises of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two double bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside there are front and rear gardens and a driveway leading to a garage. Further benefits include double glazing and gas radiator heating. EPC:TBC





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A 17th Century three bedroom cottage set in the heart of this popular village. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, downstairs cloakroom/WC, dining room with inglenook fireplace, kitchen/breakfast room with inglenook fireplace, lounge, cellar, two double bedrooms and a single bedroom, and bathroom with bath and shower. Outside, there are gardens to the front and rear with views, a garage and off road parking. The property also benefits from full gas central heating throughout. A viewing is highly recommended. UNFURNISHED



Situated within walking distance of all town centre amenities is this modern two bedroom apartment. The apartment boasts a large open plan living/kitchen area, bedroom one, bedroom two and a white three piece bathroom suite. Additional benefits include gas radiator central heating, double glazed and also has a balcony. The photograph shows the whole building. UNFURNISHED



A three/four bedroom detached property situated in this popular area of Northampton and benefiting from UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and an en-suite to the master bedroom. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, family room/bedroom four, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, cloakroom/WC, first floor landing, master bedroom with en-suite, one further double bedroom one single bedroom and a family bathroom. Outside there are front and rear gardens and off road parking. UNFURNISHED



£695 pcm

A three bedroom detached chalet style property benefiting from gas radiator central heating and double glazing (where specified). The accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom/WC, lounge with fireplace, dining room, kitchen with oven, hob and extractor, washing machine, built in dishwasher, built in fridge/freezer and microwave oven, first floor landing, bedroom one, bedroom two, bedroom three and bathroom. Outside there are front and rear gardens, off road landing, bedroom one, bedroom two, b parking and a garage. UNFURNISHED





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A three bedroom semi detached property that benefits from gas radiator heating and a single garage. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, two double bedrooms, one single bedroom, and a bathroom with shower. Outside the property front and rear gardens, off road parking and a single garage. UNFURNISHED





A three bedroom thatched cottage situated in the sought after village of Blisworth presented to the market in excellent condition throughout. In brief the accommodation comprises lounge, kitchen to include gas hob, electric oven and integrated dishwasher, dining room with door to garden, utility room, downstairs bathroom with and held shower, master bedroom with ensuring tacilities and two further bedrooms. Outside there are beautiful gardens with views over



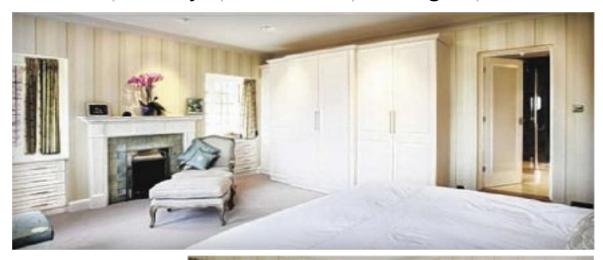
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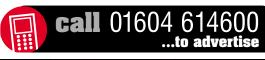
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THE first group of serving members of the armed forces to hit the British pop charts, The Soldiers bring their Up Close tour to Royal & Derngate on Friday, February 15.

Sergeant Major Gary Chilton is an exceptional singer, Staff Sergeant Richie Maddocks a true showman and Lance Corporal Ryan Idzi the young heartthrob who receives sacks of fan mail every week. Together, they are first class, singing and dancing entertainers who have touched a chord with the nation. On their latest (musical) tour, fans can expect to hear their takes on classics like He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother, Stand by Me, With a Little Help from My Friends, Don't Let The Sun Go Down On Me and Bridge Over Troubled Water, as well as their debut hit, the original Coming Home. The show is at

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Harry's back on stage enjoying freedom

Continued from page 23 his first marriage and the legend that is Stouffer the cat.

Harry said: "It is great to

get back doing stand up. "Although in one respect I never stopped doing it as I did some small gigs when I was on TV (presenting

Harry Hill's TV Burp).
"I enjoy stand up as it gives me freedom due to the fact if I come up with an idea I can just do it on stage. If it was on televi-sion. I would have to speak to the producer and then the director to see what was needed to happen to make it work.

"Comedy is two-fold for me. I enjoy the writing process and I like coming up with ideas

Harry has developed his style and honed his skills which helped TV Burp to

scoop three BAFTA awards and said: "To be honest when I won my first BAFTA, which is lovely, I used to have it on my desk.
"I could not think of any

ideas while it was there as I was intimidated by it, so I took it away and put it in the spare room out of the

"It is nice to get them but I would be happy if I never won any more.



Any dream will do for Joseph

MUSICAL

Royal & Derngate

February 19 to February 23

A BREATHTAKING production of Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will be at Royal & Derngate this month.

The lead of Joseph will be taken by Any Dream Will Do finalist Keith Jack who has caused a sensation in the title role. Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's

sparkling family musical continues to enjoy huge success and regular standing ovations, 45 years since its first performance in a London school.

The colourful retelling of the Biblical story of Joseph, his eleven brothers and the coat of many colours sings out to young and old alike, with a score crammed with memorable hits including Jacob and Sons, Close Every Door and Any Dream Will Do.

Keith Jack was one of the most popular finalists in the hit BBC series Any Dream

The programme was watched by millions every Saturday night as the show followed the search for a leading man for Andrew Lloyd Webber's new West End production.

Chosen from tens of thousands of wannabes, Keith charmed audiences week after week before coming a close second in the final.

He went on to play the narrator in the UK tour of Joseph, and took over the lead

Top West End Producer-Director Bill Kenwright joined Andrew Lloyd Webber. Denise Van Outen and John Barrowman on the Any Dream Will Do judging panel, and he is delighted with Keith's outstanding performance in the title

Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will be performed at 7.30pm from Tuesday to Thursday; 5pm and 8pm on Friday and Saturday; and 2pm matinees on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Tickets, priced from £29.50 to £15, are available from the Box Office on 01604 624811 or online at www.royalandderngate.co.uk

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QUIZ NIGHT NORTHAMPTON Black History Association is holding a quiz night at the Doddridge Centre in St **James Road on** Friday at 7pm.

There is an open invitation for people to go along and enter into the spirit of the night

Check out the website for further information on NBHA.

ART EXHIBITION AS part of its 2013 centenary celebrations the Northampton Town & County Art Society will be holding a major exhibition at Northampton

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COMPETITION

Milton Keynes Theatre

THE Herald & Post is offering a lucky winner the chance to bag a family ticket to go and watch Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom.

This production will be on stage at the Milton Keynes Theatre for two days on Tuesday, February 19 and Wednesday, February 20.

This is the first time the BAFTA award-winning television animation from the makers of Peppa Pig will be performed live on

Holly is a young Fairy Princess, who is still learning how to fly, but her magic doesn't always go quite according to plan.

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They live in the Little Kingdom, a tiny land where flowers and grass rise high above them and every day is an adventure.

Ben and Holly have fun and



LITTLE KINGDOM: Ben and Holly and the gang

games helping Gaston the Ladybird clean up his messy cave, they go on a trip into The Big World with tooth-fairy Nanny Plum, even plan a surprise birthday party for King Thistle, and oops, let's hope there's not another jelly flood.

To be in with a chance of winning a family ticket for the 4pm performance on Wednesday, February 20, simply answer this question: What is Gaston?

Email your answer to competi-

tion@hpnorthants.co.uk by 9am on Thursday, February, 14. Please remember to include your name, address and a daytime telephone number to be in with a chance of going on an enchanting journey to the Magical Kingdom.

A Family ticket comprises four tickets. These are non-transferable and the winner must be able to attend the 4pm performance on February 20. For further details log on www.atgtickets. com/miltonkeynes







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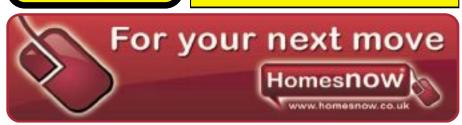
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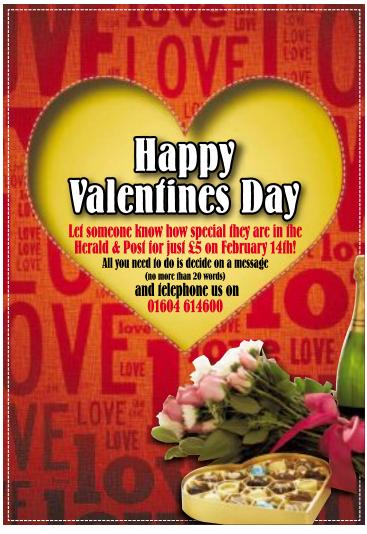
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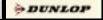
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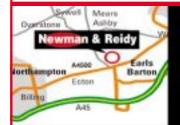
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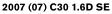
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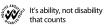
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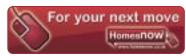
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Mr B Inglis, Official Receiver and trustee

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 1995 NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8 PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) **ACT 1990**

APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

N/2013/0076 Land off Banbury Lane - S73 Application to vary Conditions 2 and 35 of planning permission 10/0188/FULWNN (Erection of 176 dwellings, roads, sewers and associated open space) to allow the amendment of house type design and standards. Major application.

N/2013/0077

Northampton Post Office, 20 - 22 St Giles Street Conversion of first and second floors into 4no. one bed and 8no. two bed flats; installation of additional window and door at the rear; replacement of existing timber windows to UPVC windows at the rear elevation; creation of new ground floor entrance at front elevation. Major application.

N/2013/0053

48 Victoria Road – Change of use to house in multiple occupancy for 5 people. Within the Boot and Shoe Conservation Area.

N/2013/0051

Unit 7, Carousel Way – Change of use from warehouse to childrens entertainment centre and community resource with ancillary creche (Use Class D2). Major application.

N/2013/0049

4 Kingsley Road - Removal of UPVC windows to 1st & 2nd floor at front of property and replace with wooden sash. Within Kingsley Conservation Area.

N/2013/0060

The Old Rectory, 1 Barn Corner – Replacement of window with timber single glazed casement window. Grade II Listed Building and within Collingtree Conservation Area

N/2013/0063 99 - 101 Colwyn Road - Single storey rear extension and new rear access ramp to rear garden. Within the Boot and Shoe Conservation Area.

N/2013/0064

12 Christchurch Road – Proposed replacement of front bay windows and window above front door with timber framed windows including replacement art deco style front door and frame. Within Abington Park Conservation Area.

N/2013/0062

Spend & Save Food & Wine, 179 Kettering Road Erection of rear extension for storage area for existing retail use on lower basement floor and provision of two flats on upper floors. Within the Boot and Shoe Conservation Area.

N/2013/0058

23 Elwes Way – Removal of existing outhouse and erection of oak framed shed and canopy. Within the Great Billing Conservation Area.

N/2013/0046

The Homestead, 74 High Street, Hardingstone Replacement of 6no. windows with timber windows with timber windows within Hardingstone Village Conservation Area.

N/2013/0059

18A Sheep Street – Change of use of pavement area for the placing of 2no. tables and 4no. chairs. Grade II Listed Building and within All Saints Conservation

Members of the public may inspect copies of the applications, plans and any other documentation submitted at the One Stop Shop, Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE during all reasonable office hours. Plans can also be viewed on-line at www.northampton.gov.uk, click on 'planning' and then 'planning search facility'. Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications should write to the Planning Division, Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton NN1 1DE or email planning@northampton.gov.uk by 28/02/2013.

Susan Bridge, Head of Planning Northampton Borough Council

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -SECTION 14 THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (MARLOW ROAD, TOWCESTER)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2013

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REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway resurfacing

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Dated this 7th day of February 2013

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services
PKG/T13/016

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-364359.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (CAREY ROAD & PURY END, PAULERSPURY) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire county Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of Carey Road and Pury End, Paulierspury as set out below.

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PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 18th February 2013 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

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EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the roads will be restricted for up to three days at off peak times ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading east use Scriveners Lane and Lower Street. The route is vice versa for traffic heading west.

Dated this 7th day of February 2013

QUENTIN BAKER

Director of Legal Services

PKG/T13/014

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THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (LONG BUCKBY) WHARF, LONG BUCKBY) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Long Buckby Wharf, Long Buckby as set out below.

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LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION
APPLIES: That length of Long Buckby Wharf, Long
Buckby from the entrance of Wharf Work to Surney

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during bridge repair works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 19th February 2013 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

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EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to three days between 09.00 hrs

and 16.00 hrs.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading north use
45, Station Road, Main Street, Long Buckby Road,
Murcott, West Street, King Street and Station Road.
The route is vice versa for traffic heading south.
Dated this 7th day of February 2013
QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services
PKG/T13/015

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH LA1 – PARISH OF ROTHERSTHORPE)

(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit pedestrians from proceeding along that length of Public Footpath LA1 in the Parish of Rothersthorpe as set out in the Schedule below. Private Access to land or premises adjacent to the said length of footpath is unaffected.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is equired on the grounds of public safety as bridge needs replacing and so the right of way is unusable.

needs replacing and so the right of way is unusable.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The Order will come into effect on 11th February 2013 and will continue in force for a period of six months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for this Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such extent as is indicated by the display of notices.

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ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: The alternative route commences at point C on the Order map at NGR SP71738 56746 and proceeds generally south east along North Street Rothersthorpe for approximately 968 metres to point D NGR SP72329 56170 under the road bridge. The route then proceeds generally north along a towpath situated on the east bank of the Grand Union Canal for 828 metres to point A at NGR SP72633 56923. The alternative route is shown on the map by a broken black line between points C-D-A. Dated this 7th day of February 2013.

Dated this 7th day of February 2013 QUENTIN BAKER Director of Legal Services

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SCHEDULE

(Length of path to be closed)

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The route to be closed commences at point A on the Order map at National Grid Reference (NGR) SP72633 56923 and proceeds generally west for approximately 15 metres over a bridge to point B at NGR SP72618 56924. The route then proceeds south of west along Public Footpath LA1 for approximately 948 metres to terminate at point C North Street Rothersthorpe NGR SP71738 56746. The route to be closed is shown on the map by a solid black line between points A-B-C.



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Testing times for Rossiter

FORMULA ONE

JAMES Rossiter was impressed with how Sahara Force India's new car performed on the second day of Formula One's first pre-season testing session in Jerez.
The 29-year-old British driver was

given a run-out in the Silverstonebased team's VJM06 on yesterday afternoon, setting the tenth-fastest time of 1:21.273 during his 19-lap

Rossiter previously tested for Honda and has been given the chance to drive at Jerez due to Force India still not having confirmed who will be Paul di Resta's team mate for 2013. Nevertheless, he was pleased to have the opportunity and will be back in the car this

morning. "It felt great to be back in a Formula One car and I was impressed with the performance straight away," said Rossiter. "It's only the second day of running, yet the car already feels quite nicely balanced with a

it of potential.

"Having already done work on the team's simulator, it's good to get a feel for the real car and get acclimatised today so that I can really make the most of my running on this morning."

Di Resta continued his strong running from the first day of testing on Tuesday. He went second fastest during yesterday's session, with his time of 1:19.003 being just under a second slower than Lotus driver Romain Grosjean. Testing con-cludes tomorrow.

Duo set for finals

THE National Indoor Champion shipfinals come to Northampton & District IBC next week, with host club duo Marilyn Oram and Chris Bland hoping to secure glory on home turf in the mixed pairs.

Oram and Bland came through the area qualifying rounds to reach the last 32 in the country and face the West Denton IBC pair of Ann Lennie and Martin Cooper on

Tuesday.
The finals at Northampton & The finals at Northampton & District run from Tuesday to Saturday, and also feature the deciders for the Over-60 Men's Doubles, Mason Trophy, Women's Over-50 Two Wood Triple, Men's Over-50 Triples, Mixed Fours, Vivienne Trophy and Yetton Plate. There is further county interest with teams from Wellinghorough

with teams from Wellingborough IBC competing in the Mixed Fours and Men's Over-50s Triples.

The Area Final of the Men's Triples is on Sunday. Kingsthorpe's team of Neil McKee, Andrew Manton and Mick Sharpe face John Haines' Desborough IBC rink.



SAMU MANOA: Confident Saints can squeeze into the top four to keep their season alive with a win over Gloucester

Manoa inspired by Superbowl heroes

RUGBY UNION

BY MARC BAZELEY

LIKE many of his countrymen, Northampton Saints' American lock Samu Manoa was up late on Sunday night watching the Super

Although he is a fan of the Oakland Raiders, he was still cheering on bitter rivals, the San Francisco 49ers, as they almost pulled off a comeback from 21-3 down in the second quarter before losing 34-31 to the Baltimore

Manoa hails from the Bay Area, so was happy to put the Oakland-San Franciso rivalry aside for one night to back the other team from

But it was rugby rather than American football that was his sport of choice. Given that he is of Tongan descent, and his grandfa-ther and father both played at international level for their country, it is perhaps not surprising.

"I chose rugby because I love it," said Manoa. "Rugby has been in the family since my grandparents and for me it's more fun than playing football.

You get to move a lot, but in football you have one specific job and in that position you can only do so many things.

At 6'6" tall and weighing just over 19 stone, it is easy to see Manoa 19 stone, it is easy to see Manoa slotting in on an American football field. He may have also gone down the path of professional wrestling, following in the footsteps of his uncle, Sione Vailahi, who went under the ring name of The Barbarian in the WWF and WCW. Family is clearly something which is important to the 27-year-old, even though he is senarated.

old, even though he is separated from his parents, four brothers and two sisters by the Atlantic Ocean and several thousand

He still keeps in regular phone contact with them, knowing that his father will still have plenty of advice for him whenever the fam-

advice for him whenever the family have tuned in to see him playing for the Saints on TV.

"Every game I play, my family will stay up when they come on TV at four or five in the morning," said Manoa. "Pops will tell me what I did wrong when I call him and yell at me because he is Pops, but they're all happy."

While attention is focussed on Manoa at present the family are

Manoa at present, the family are also tracking the progress of his brother Luke Kaumatule, who is on an American football scholar-

ship at top college Stanford.

Despite rugby being his love and now career, Manoa still takes plenty of inspiration from his home-land's preferred oval ball sport, particularly from players such as Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis. The 37-year-old brought the curtain down on his 17-year-old career by helping his team to victory in Sunday's Super Bowl and Manoa believes he has attributes that any team sport can benefit from.

"Every team should have a Ray Lewis," said Manoa. "His speeches are really good and they fire a lot of

"When you listen to him talk before games and during games, he still keeps the players motivation." ed to keep going. When they're down and he starts to speak, it picks a lot of people up and ups their game."

Manoa is in no doubt as to who

Northampton's equivalent of Lewis is - back row star Phil Dowson. Indeed, Manoa believes that the 31-year-old's words of wisdom are just what the Saints need at this present time.

Although Manoa has carried on

the form that saw him named in the 2011/12 Aviva Premiership dream team in his debut cam-paign, his club have faltered and have not met the expectations that

many have of them.

The Saints exited the Heineken Cup at the pool stage for the second season in a row last month, while also failing to qualify for the Amlin Challenge Cup as one of the

lucky losers.
A 28-19 defeat away to Exeter Chiefs last Saturday also ensured

that Northampton failed to reach the knock-out stages of the LV= Cup, and with no more European rugby either they find themselves in the unfamiliar position of having several blank weekends between now and the end of the

The Premiership is now the only prize up for grabs for Jim Mallinder's men and after being knocked out in the semi-finals for the last four seasons that is something they would desperately love to get their hands on.

To do that, they must first finish in the top four and will climb back up into those places if they beat Gloucester in Saturday's league game at Franklin's Gardens and London Wasps lose at Leicester

Manoa is confident the squad have what it takes to do that and the big-tackling second row is aiming to respond to last week's loss in the only way he knows how.

"Everybody's heads are towards this weekend and everybody is going to come out hitting," said Manoa. "We're just going to put it out there because it is the last competition and we've got to try to

win something.
"There is quite a bit of frustration in the squad, but it's nothing we can't handle. The squad have talked about it a lot and we've got to improve on the stuff that we messed up on last week."



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Boothroyd looks for Cobblers response

FOOTBALL

BY MARC BAZELEY

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AIDY Boothroyd is looking for a reaction from Northampton Town players on Saturday after last week-end's defeat at the hands of fellow League Two play-off chasers Rotherham United.

The Cobblers dropped to eighth in the standings following the 3-1 loss at New York Stadium last Saturday, which came on the back of losing to league leaders Gillingham four days

After two weeks of travelling, Northampton return to the comforts of home this weekend when Rochdale visit Sixfields and the manager is keen for his side to move on from the previous two matches.
"When I saw this run of away

games, my target was to be in and around the pack come the end of them, and to gather more points than we have done on the road," said Boothroyd. "We've played two top sides and it's

important for us to take stock and learn lessons from both. "If you take the conditions out of

the game at Gillingham, there wasn't much in it, but against Rotherham the conditions were perfect, the officials were excellent and they deserved it.

"All it really means is that we've got to learn the lessons and make sure that on Saturday we come out and put it right."

Northampton seemed to have banished their poor away form with a 2-1 win at Aldershot Town in the snow, but the defeats at Gillingham and Rotherham once again brought that back into focus.

However, Clarke Carlisle, who scored his side's consolation goal against the Millers, believes performances on the road are getting bet-ter despite results not going their

"We can't deny that our away form isn't as good as our home form, but we have been performing at a better

standard away from home, especially in our past four away matches," said Carlisle.

"We know that if we continue to play like that, the results will come."

Despite struggling on their travels, Northampton have the second-best home record in League Two and have only suffered three defeats on their own turf so far this season.

Boothroyd's defensive options have been boosted by John Johnson mak-ing it through the full 90 minutes of a behind-closed-doors practise match at Stoke City on Tuesday afternoon.

Johnson has been out of action since being forced off at half time in the 1-1 draw at York City in November with a knee injury that would later

The 24-year-old was an unused substitute against Gillingham and Rotherham, but has now managed a full game without any problems. Lewis Wilson, Louis Moult and January signings Manny Oyeleke and Roy O'Donovan also featured in the 3-2 win at Stoke.

Opponents Rochdale recently replaced manager John Coleman with former boss Keith Hill, who led them to promotion in 2010 and is now back at Spotland after an ill-fated stint in charge of Championship

They come to Northampton sitting 15th in the table and eyeing a late push for the play-offs, but Town boss Boothroyd is determined that his side will not allow themselves to repeat the mistakes of last week.

"For the first time this season, we got outworked and I very rarely say that about our players but they worked harder than we did," said

"If you don't work hard and don't match what they do then you get turned over and that's exactly what happened.

'I'm disappointed because we're far better than that, but I guess we

can't be good every week.
"I looked at these games and knew it was going to be tough, and in the end we've got nothing for it. We've proved before that we can bounce back from these setbacks."



AIDY BOOTHROYD: Wants to see his side bounce back quickly

Knock-out show from Bosley is just the job

BOXING

MORGAN Bosley claimed the Midlands Class Three 41kg Schoolboy title and moved into the national quarter finals with a first-round stoppage of Barry Nadzfen in Retford on Sunday. The Far Cotton ABC fighter, who

was runner-up in last year's Class Two tournament, had been given a bye to this stage of the competition, but showed no ring rust in swiftly despatching his opponent from

Wellington Boxing Academy. He was one of four boxers from John Daly's gym who claimed area honours at Repton Town Hall, with Kyle Mason. epton Town Hall, with Kyle Mason, Edward Stokes and George Rourke also winning their contests to progress to the last eight in Liverpool on

Sunday. Mason's 28kg Class One final saw him earn a unanimous decision win over Eastside ABC's Carl Ali, while Stokes overcame Ian Qaman, of Stoke YMCA ABC, by the same verdict. Rourke took a majority decision

win in Class Three against Thomas Collins, of Hall Green ABC. Connor Downes was given a walkover, while Miles Wright lost to Eastside's I. Sulaimann in the Class Three 34kg final by unanimous decision.

Eithan James also bowed out of the championships the day before, losing to South Normanton ABC's Charlie Pearson in the East Midlands 33kg Class One final at the Derngate.

King's Heath ABC's reigning Schoolboy champion Ben Vaughan

national title again this year after scoring a second round stoppage against Alex Jackson, having given the Hulton Abbey ABC man a standing eight count towards the end of the first round. Clubmate Patrick Smith also

claimed Midlands honours, edging a 3-2 majority decision success against Stratford ABC's Billy Jenkins. Connor Hannifin got a walkover,

while Stanley Forskitt was forced to withdraw due to illness.

Cali turns on style for Titans

BASKETBALL

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE Titans warmed up for their re-arranged Women's National Trophy semi-final with a win over Bromsgrove Bears, but did not have everything their own way in

Sunday's league match.
The Titans now travel to
Birmingham Mets on Saturday for the last four tie that was postponed due to heavy snow last month. The win-ners play Bradford Dragons in the final on February 23.

Head coach Barry Powell wants his side to show the same fighting spirit they exhibited against a Bromsgrove side who had kept the contest close until the closing stages.

"Bromsgrove gave us a wake-up call today and we responded in the right way," Powell said. "We now need to focus on our national trophy semi final this weekend and will need to take what we learnt today and bring that to Mets on Saturday."

The Titans had not played for two weeks before tip-off and several turnovers, along with success from the perimeter for the Bears, ensured that the visitors led 37-35 at half time

at Northampton Academy.

However, the start of the third period saw Titans outscore their opponents 17-4 and they edged the fourth to run out 72-64 victors.

Nauel Cali led the way for the hosts

with 32 points, while Angelina Browne-Akinyemi contributed 19. The win keeps them fourth in the VCARS.co.uk Division Two Midlands South West conference and in with a chance of reaching the play-offs.

Yates' late show joy

BASKETBALL

JONNY Yates held his nerve from the free throw line to help Northants Thunder snatch a one-point victory at home to Bromsgrove Bears and maintain their unbeaten record in the VCARS.co.uk Division Four Midlands conference on Saturday.

Bromsgrove had been leading with just over a minute to play when Jacob Holt hit one of two free throws to tie the scores. Bears guard Robin Hall was then fouled but missed both before Yates converted the sec-

ond of his free throws moments from the final buzzer.

That saw Thunder edge the contest at the Northants Basketball Centre 67-66 in their first match since December 15.

It was also a relief to head coach Graham Yates, who felt his team were below their best.

Leon Henry and Leome Francis led the Thunder scoring with 20 and 19 points respectively, helping the side remain six points clear at the top of the table. They now travel to play Derbyshire Trailblazers III on

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Bittersweet debut for O'Donovan

FOOTBALL

ROY O'Donovan's first game for Northampton Town was a bittersweet one after coming on as a substitute in Saturday's 3-1 defeat away to Rotherham United.

The Irishman moved to Sixfields as a free agent on the final day of the January transfer window following his release from League One side Coventry City, and will be with the Cobblers until the end of the season.

It was O'Donovan's first appearance since coming off the bench in Coventry's 3-2 defeat away to MK Dons, but while he was pleased to be given the opportunity, the result ruined it for him

"It was nice to get out there and play again, but I was very disappointed because we controlled large chunks of the game without taking advantage," said 0'Donovan, who felt that Northampton had looked comfortable when he was warming up on the sidelines.
"Then they went up the other end of the pitch

"Then they went up the other end of the pitch at vital times and punished us. It just shows you the thin margins in professional football, no matter what level you are at. It's just elementary mistakes and we were punished for it."

Northampton boss Aidy Boothroyd praised the

work put in by O'Donova boothroyd praised the work put in by O'Donovan after he came on as a half time substitute for fellow new boy Manny Oyeleke. He is someone who Boothroyd knows well, having been one of his first signings during his ten months in charge of Coventry.

Clive Platt is also a former Sky Blues team mate of O'Donovan and the 27-year-old is looking forward to linking up with both him and top scorer Adebayo Akinfenwa.

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O'Donovan's impression of the team was good and he is optimistic for the rest of the season. He is also optimistic that it will not take long for him to start scoring goals.

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"That will come because I'm surrounded by good players here," said O'Donovan. "I know Clive Platt well and Akinfenwa is a fantastic player too, so hopefully I can feed off them and get chances.

"It was a bit awkward because the ball didn't drop, but I felt sharp and lively. We'll get results, we'll get better, but our away form needs to nick up."

Mallinder keen to keep hold of Myler

RUGBY UNION

BY MARC BAZELEY

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JIM Mallinder has confirmed Northampton Saints want to keep fly-half Stephen Myler at the club and is hopeful the 28-year-old will sign a new contract within the next week or two.

Myler has recently re-established himself in the Saints starting line-up and with his contract up at the end of the season, they are keen to ensure he does not go anywhere else.

The former rugby league player is in his sixth season at Franklin's Gardens, having been part of the teams that won the European Challenge Cup, LV= Cup and reached the Heineken Cup final during that time.

"He has played some big games for us and was involved in some of our good successes, and he has been playing well," said Mallinder.

been playing well," said Mallinder.
"I think there is still more we can
get out of Stephen and I think he
can play even better. He's a really
good player and somebody we are
looking to keep for the next couple
of vears."

Director of rugby Mallinder did not rule out fellow number ten Ryan Lamb being offered a new deal as well, insisting everyone who is out of contract at the end of the current campaign has the opportunity to earn a new one. Northampton are set to announce at least two other re-signings in the coming weeks, having already confirmed three players that will be joining them from other clubs for the 2013/14 season.

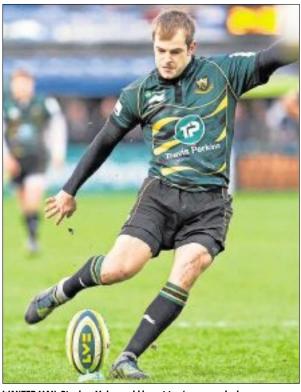
The latest announcement came on Monday with the news that Australian international prop Salesi Ma'afu had joined from Super Rugby franchise Western Force to further strengthen their front row options.

Fellow front row Alex Corbisiero and scrum half Kahn Fotuali'i will also be making the move to the Gardens from London Irish and Ospreys respectively as Saints' recruitment policy shifts from signing young, English players to scouring the globe for talent.

"We've got a decent record of bringing players in who are not particularly well-known and developing them into decent rugby players," said Mallinder. "We're not a team like some of the French sides and possibly

"We're not a team like some of the French sides and possibly Saracens who go out and pick big players that are playing well at other clubs and bring them in. We can't do that to a large extent, so we have got to be very selective in terms of our recruitment.

"Generally, if you could, you'd get an English player in and if you can't then you've got to look at the whole world and every single rugby playing nation, which is what we're trying to do."



WANTED MAN: Stephen Myler could be set to sign a new deal

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